| Sl.No. | Reference | Incorrect text | Corrected text |
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| 2. | Page 135, Table 8.1-Testis-testosterone promotes the development of secondary sexual characters in men | Testis-Testosterone-(i) Promotes respiration, sperm in males. | *Deleted* |
| 3. | Page 135 - Estrogen promotes *the development of secondary* sexual characters in women | Ovary-Estrogen-(i) Promotes blood circulation. | *Deleted* |

**Errors in the text books**

478. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) has undertaken review of the social study and literature school text books in exercise of its functions to bring about a degree of uniformity in educational standards and to screen out communal contents, historical errors and inaccuracies in the school text books in different States and UTs; and

(b) if so, the number and details of the inaccuracies detected so far during the last three years and the steps taken to rectify the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A Committee set up under the Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) by the Ministry of Human Resource Development on "Regulatory mechanism for the textbooks and parallel text books taught in schools outside the Government system" was asked to study and report on both the textbooks used in Government schools, not following the CBSE syllabus, as well books used in non-government schools, including those run by religious and social organizations. The Committee examined a selected sample of textbooks in Social Sciences and languages (Hindi, English and some regional languages) in about 11 States. The Committee's Report gives some examples of bias and historical errors.

**Central status to Gauhati University**

479. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a proposal has been received from the Government of Assam to convert Gauhati University into a Central University;

(b) the details thereof; and

(c) Government's decision thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

**Agitation of teachers of Madhya Pradesh**

†480. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the teaching community of Madhya Pradesh had held a demonstration in September, 2005 in Delhi on teacher's day and they had also presented a memorandum to the Prime Minister and to him;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what was the duration of the strike of the teaching community and its impact on studies of the students; and

(d) the steps Government have initiated to solve the problems of the teaching community?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (d) Teachers from MP reportedly held a demonstration in Delhi on 5th September, 2005 to highlight their grievances. They were also on strike from 22.8.2005 to 24.09.2005. As regards the grievances of the teachers, it is for the Government of Madhya Pradesh to take necessary action.

**New direction to education**

†481. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering to give a new format to the education for 1st to 12th standard in near future throughout the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and by when; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.